(*d*) Whether the Government are aware of the fact that the villages on the left bank of the river are losing their prosperity on account of the delay in starting this work and the raiyats are going to the right bank of the river and settling themselves there leaving the lands on the left bank uncultivated and neglected ?

(*e*) Whether it is not advantageous to start the left bank channel work before closing the Anicut Division ?

(*f*) Whether the Government will, interested in the welfare of the raiyats, be pleased to start this work this year ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—24. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The estimate for the left bank channel as revised amounts to Rs. 9,04,000. The raiyats have promised to pay contribution but only at a low rate.

(*c*) 9,300 acres; Rs. 40,774.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) and (*f*) The question of taking the left bank channel will be considered after all the lands irrigable under the right bank channel are brought under cultivation.

MR. V. V. AIYAR, G. C. MAHALINGAPPA (Shimoga Taluk), and N. ANANDA RAO (Shimoga Municipality).—

Q.—25. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether there was any proposal to construct a bridge across the Bhadra river at Holehonnur ?

(*b*) If so, what was the proposed estimate for it ?

(*c*) Whether the villagers of Holehonnur and Holalur Hoblis have not agreed to pay the contribution of one-third of the total cost ?

(*d*) Whether the District Board have not promised to give their quota of the contribution ?

(*e*) Whether some member of the Representative Assembly has not assured the income from the levy of toll to be above Rs. 8,000 a year if a toll-gate is established there, after the construction of the bridge ?

(*f*) Whether the Government are not aware of the fact that this bridge, if constructed, will facilitate easy trade communications with the Bombay Presidency and advance the economic welfare of the people ?

(*g*) Whether they will be pleased to take up this work immediately after referring it to the District Board for their suggestion ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—25. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 1,64,850.

(*c*) There was a promise to pay one-fourth of the cost of the estimate.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) There are other trade routes with the Bombay Presidency.

(*g*) As the District Board is not in a position to finance the work, it will not be possible to undertake the work in the near future.

MR. SIDDABASAPPA (Shikarpur Taluk).—

Q.—27. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) In what stage the Ambligola irrigation project is ? What is the estimated cost ?

(*b*) Whether it is their intention to bring under cultivation the lands of Talagunda and Oodagani Hoblis ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—27. (*a*) An estimate for Rs. 9,46,751 has been prepared in 1929 for the construction of a reservoir at Ambligola across Salur halla and for opening a channel of 20 miles on the left bank and this is still under scrutiny.

(*b*) The lands of the villages of Talagunda and Oodagani hoblis are much above the proposed channel contour and it is not possible to irrigate these lands from this channel.

MESSRS. B. L. BYANNA (Bangalore City) and B. M. Munisamappa (Bangalore Taluk).—

Q.—33. Will the Government be pleased to place on the table:—

(*a*) The number of applications for licenses received